

Adams County Subregional Forum

February 26, 2019

Dear Adams County Subregional Forum Members,

RTD is pleased to financially partner with Smart Commute Metro North, Westminster and Thornton to implement the 144th & I-25 Micro Transit and Mobility Options Project. As one of two subregional projects the District has agreed to help fund through the 2020-2023 TIP, this demonstration project will help test suburban markets for how best to integrate innovative technologies such as micromobility, evolved ridesharing like Waze and bikeshare to adapt to the changing ways people are getting around.

The project ticks all the boxes for RTD's *Transportation Transformation Initiative* to proactively participate in how these evolving trends are creating new and expanded opportunities for public transportation.

As part of our partnership, RTD will be providing \$25,000, per year, for three years towards the local match and an additional \$25,000 challenge grant per year when the demonstration project meets certain metrics for annual Ecopass purchases.

Through this partnership, we, the RTD Directors representing the Districts most immediately impacted, believe the 144th & I-25 Micro Transit and Mobility Options Demonstration Project will provide a positive impact to our communities along the I-25 travel shed, including reducing car ownership and increasing public transit use.

It is our hope this and other future demonstration projects will help transform traditional public transportation to allow the public to discover, pay for, and use these services for a seamless trip.

To this end, we hope the Adams County Forum will consider funding this forward-thinking project.

Sincerely,

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